

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH

Westborough, MA

Twenty-Second Sunday Ordinary Time August 31, 2025

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.

Luke 14:11



Bruegel's *Peasant Wedding* sets a rustic feast in a barn, where simple fare contrasts with indulgent guests. Almost everyone, save the bride and her parents, are absorbed in food and drink rather than celebrating the sacrament of marriage. Symbols sharpen the critique: a dog under the table represents spiritual faith; a child licking her fingers symbolizes periods of scarcity. The groom's uncertain presence (scholars cannot agree on where he is) underscores misplaced priorities, making the scene a visual sermon against gluttony, pride, and neglect of the spiritual.



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NEW TO THE PARISH

Welcome!

A heartfelt welcome to new members of our parish family! Whether this is your first visit or you're joining us weekly, we are thrilled to welcome you to your new parish home. Be sure to visit https://stlukes-parish.org/newcomers or easy sign-up as a parish member with this OR code.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4PM, 6PM (Spanish) Sunday 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM

Weekday (followed by the Rosary) 9:00 AM Monday through Friday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9:00AM Tuesdays after Mass until 6:00PM Benediction 3:00PM Divine Mercy Chaplet 5:00PM Prayers for Sanctity of Life

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call Maria at 508-366-5502 x10 for information.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 3:00 to 3:45PM and by request. Reconciliation Room is handicapped accessible.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact a Priest at least six months in advance.

OCIA - CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

If interested in learning more about or in becoming Christian in the Catholic faith tradition please contact Josh Dion at Joshua.t.dion@gmail.com or 508-807-1631. We welcome all inquirers.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Our extraordinary ministers are always pleased to bring the Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to join us for weekly worship. If you or a family member would like to receive Communion, please call Julie at 508-366-5502 X15. If you know of someone from the parish who is in the hospital, please let us know.

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MASS INTENTIONS

4:00pm	Saturday, August 30 Frank Viscardi by St. Luke's
6:00pm	Spanish
7:30am	Sunday, August 31 Kenny Gagnon by Preben & Mary Christensen
9:00am	Annette & Howard LaNode
11:00am	by McKenna family Gene Buffo by Sue & John McCann
9:00am	Monday, September 1 Souls in Purgatory by Richov family
9:00am	Tuesday, September 2 Margaret Horrigan by family Sean Horrigan by Pat Gagnon
9:00am	Wednesday, September 3 Lee Sheldrick by his family
9:00am	Thursday, September 4 Josephine Bretta by family
9:00am	Friday, September 5 Victims of Washington DC Plane Crash by Margaret O'Connell
4:00pm	Saturday, September 6 Diane & Ed Gorak 60th Wedding Anniversary
6:00pm	by family Spanish
7:30am	Sunday, September 7 Chet Sowa by his family
9:00am	Alyce Casey
11:00am	by Boyd family Joyce Gallinagh by John, Christine & Meghan

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY 10AM - 4:00PM

If you are in need of assistance Please call Maria at 508-366-5502 x10 or Melissa at 508-366-5502 x16

PARISH COUNCIL

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COME AND ADORE JESUS ALL ARE WELCOME



Carlo Acutis will be canonized on September 7th. He is known for his love of the Eucharist and Eucharistic Adoration. He encouraged others to seek out Eucharistic Adoration claiming it was the "highway to heaven".

Come and share in this experience every Tuesday all day following the 9:00am Mass

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Gallinagh

Month of May 2025 \$58,191 Month of June 2025 \$59,976 Month of July 2025 \$63,093

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

LOOKING FOR ENGLISH?



Mondays 6-8pm for Beginners Wednesdays 6:30-8:30pm for Advanced Other times are available as well.

Register with Carmen (508)826-5172

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN! SEE DATES BELOW

September 2: Tuesdays, Grades PreK-6 September 7: Sundays, Grades PreK-6 Sundays, Grades 7-10

MUSTARD SEED - SEPTEMBER 5th



St. Luke's is serving at the Mustard Seed on Friday, September 5th. We will be serving chicken, rice pilaf, vegetables, fruit and dessert.

Please see the signup sheet in Flocknotes for details. Please deliver the food hot to the parish center parking lot between 3:30 and 4:00 on September 5th. (Look for Sean and his red CRV).

Any questions? Please call or email Meghan McLoughlin at (978) 807-4625 or meghan@biggins.com

WOSL MEET AND GREET SEPTEMBER 11th

DATE: Thursday, September 11th

TIME: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

WHERE: Broken Creek Vineyard 614 South St., Shrewsbury, MA

non alcohol choices available
Light hors d'oeuvres will be provided



Bring a friend and come meet some fabulous women!

Questions? Contact Kathy Lawrence 508-847-7744 Mary Christensen 508-868-5483

WORCESTER CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE - SEPTEMBER 27th



7th Annual Women's Conference St. Joseph School in Webster, MA Saturday, September 27

"I thirst for the Salvation of Souls'

Dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: Noelle Mering, Dr. Madeline Colon-Usowicz, Tim Frances and Adam Janke

Confessions by Diocesan and Religious priests Informative and interesting exhibitors 4pm Mass celebrated by Bishop McManus

Visit the website www.wcwconference.com for info and to register, or call Corinn Dahm at 508-277-3969.

Seating is limited, REGISTER TODAY!

WELCOME WEEKEND! SEPTEMBER 13-14th

September 13-14th Newcomers recognized at all the Masses!

Sunday, September 14 Welcome Gathering in the Parish Hall

after all Sunday Masses 7:30am/9am/11am Meet and Greet - Coffee and Treats

Whether it's your first or weekly visit, we are thrilled you are with us! Join the celebration!

Learn more at stlukes-parish.org/ newcomers or QR



Many hands, hearts and smiles are needed!



Sign-Up - Mass Greeters and Helpers tinyurl.com/3ah7wz3d

Sign-Up- Parish Center Bakers and Helpers tinyurl.com/bdz2uu9b



Questions? Chris <u>4farmers@verizon.net</u> Leslie <u>Leslie.a.buffo@gmail.com</u> Kathy <u>kathyrichov@gmail.com</u>

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th



The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets
Tuesday, September 9th from
1:00-2:30PM
Room 23 of the Parish Center

Interested in knitting or crocheting prayer shawls, lap robes or afghans for the sick and suffering?

Please join us!

Cannot attend the monthly meetings? Please contact Carol Mulcahy at cmmulcahy@live.com or 508-898-0409 for information and about patterns. Yarn is available at the Parish Center.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to our School Supply Drive. Your response was amazing! All supplies will be distributed to Westborough school children who are in need. It is hope that every child can start off their school year with a backpack filled with all the essentials needed for their grade. As always, thank you for understanding the importance of Outreach.

Nan Ford, Parish Outreach Coordinator

SIGN UP TODAY!

Use the QR Code below or contact Maria at 508-366-5502 x10 or office@stlukes-parish.org



Here are some experiences from those who participated in our January 2025 Alpha Course!

"...Personally, the small group discussions were my favorite part; it provided an opportunity for me to listen, share, and ultimately probe my faith." *Andrew Kay*

"...The food is great and you get dessert too!!"

Cindy Orejola

"I did not know what to expect...it had been a few years since I regularly had gone to church...I appreciated that it wasn't about having all the answers, but about exploring together and learning from each other." *Natalie Bruce*

"Prior to Alpha I knew not a single person—I was new to St. Luke's and I was looking for community. I think the most important part about Alpha is that everyone is there for a different reason, everyone's relationship with faith is different, and they have an opportunity to share that in a non-judgmental space ... I grew in my faith and was able to talk with people in all stages of their faith journey." *Tia Mastrogianis*

IN WORD AND DEED ~ by James Gaffney



After a volcano in Iceland interrupted air travel, several stranded passengers were interviewed as they waited for days to get out of the airport and on their way home. Some complained about poor service or how they were so badly inconvenienced. But one woman joked about her plight, making others laugh about being tired, stinky and less than ready to meet the queen! Her good humor made things a lot more bearable.

Jesus reminds us that we are all equal before God and we should treat each other with dignity and respect. When people seek a higher place than we have, let them. When someone who has nothing to give wants to be included, allow him. If someone is poor or uneducated or socially awkward, include him. God sees all and rewards those who see Him in others.

We have opportunities to practice this kind of virtue and humility every day. In the parking lot after Mass, coming home from work, at the table with our family and talking to neighbors and friends are times when we can be more generous, more caring and more understanding of the needs of others. Try to listen a little more than you speak, give a little more than you get, offer a little more than you must. It will all come back to you in ways that you cannot measure.

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Nicole Bates, Susan Bailey, Jonathan Tomashefsky, Brian Howland, Sharon Wilkins, Michael LeBlanc, Mary Mahan, Becky Rawson, Ella Walker, Bev Longime, James Wright, Evelyn Croteau, Annabelle Duvane, Shirley DePalma, Agnes Limberger, Zachary Collins, Kupaa Keiley, Tiffany Kelley, Margie Morcone, Sharon Beaulieu, Mildred Raymond, Stephen & Kimberly Bankcroft, Toby Claufon, Joe Smith, Carol Aloisi, Teresa Putnam, Carmelia Potenti, Leanne McCann, Ellie Carlson, Jane Burke, Hayleigh Scott, Kellan Keough, Dorothy Clinton, Sr. Pamela Philbin, Karen Mooney, Sandy Thatcher Kerr, Sarah McMenemy, Helen Galica, Erik Olsen, Brendon Crowley, Richard Kane, Grace Roche, Jack Curtin, Jim Bennett, Courtney Rouse, Kirolos Gergis, Gregg Merloni, Tome Valadao, Lynn St. Jean, Christine, Patrick, Robert & Coutinho family, Maryann Bisco, Susan Garry, Melvin Boucher, T.J. Bautz, Joan Fallon, Edward Hubbell, Nancy Camp, David Perry, John Durnan, Linda Darby, Louis Yuknavich, Annie Mason, Nancy Santory, Laconya Mobley, Gary Wilson, Jr., Kevin & Donna Brennan, Luz Chavez, Debbie Krikler, Dalene Stephens, Vicki Foley, Joel Rivera, James Thomas, Jack Walker, Rich Reynolds, Thomas Houde, Michael Berthuime, Joan Sanders, Sofia Shahin, Sarah Cox, Hailie McLatchey, Barbara Auger, George Cabana, Beverly Taylor, Jeanne Amendola, Daniel Baker, Rebecca Coax, Robert Trant, Michael McAndless, Michael Del Pozzo, David Sawyer, Madison Knopf, Claire Kennedy, Frank Sannelli, Pat & John Lusek, Michael Zancewicz, Kristy Cautello, Judy Melfa, Neil Kenny, Joseph Malzone, Lois Kerbel, Michael Turpin, Frank Murphy, Jr., Nick Johnson, Patricia Amorelli, Connor Blaney, William Fargelli, Demetrius Mobley, Erin Magrane, George Beecher, Susanne Ollman, Christina Narensky, Chloe Nascimento, Gary Shults, Charlie Skinner, Jim and Roz Oesterle, Laraine Day, David Arkle, Dotty Millet

> Let us pray for all our military men and women who are over seas in harm's way We pray for those who have died.... Carol Harvey

THANK YOU JONATHAN! FOR THE NEW CLASSROOM WHITE BOARDS!

St. Luke's has greatly benefitted from Jonathan Fairbanks' Eagle Scout Service Project! He offered to upgrade ten of our blackboards to whiteboards, leading all the research, planning, fundraising, and construction.

We also appreciate all those who assisted in the completion the project, especially

Rich Thoman and his company The Northern Corp. who donated the Claridge whiteboards. They were ready in time for the fall faith formation classes and we look forward to using them for

many years to come!







VOLUNTEERS NEEDED NURSING HOME MINISTRY

Beaumont Nursing Home now has weekly communion services (up from twice a month), followed by room visits. Every Monday morning, two parishioners offer communion or prayer to over 50 residents. The residents are



thrilled! Volunteers often say, "I receive so much more than I give."

Westborough Health Care Center asked if we could increase our communion ministry to every other week. We'd love to try to make that happen!



If you have a love of the Eucharist and enjoy being with people, we can prepare you to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Commitment is once or twice a month on Monday mornings, starting with 9:00am Mass and ending by 12 noon.

For more information please contact Julie Basque at 508-366-5502 ext. 15 or pastoralassociate@stlukes-parish.org.

SENIOR ADULTS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd



Welcome! St. Luke's Senior Adult Ministry invites you to join our vibrant group of individuals!

Monday, September 22, at 9:45am in the Parish Center Hall

Fellowship, fun, and spiritual enlightenment

We generally meet on the fourth Monday of each month and have a variety of activities planned. Please complete the "Senior Adult" membership envelope for September 7, or use the form on the Senior Adult flyer in the back of the church.

Our dues are \$10 per person which help cover the cost of speakers and costs associated with events. Checks should be made out to "St. Luke's."

For more information, please refer to the Senior Adult flyer or contact Dianne Patrick at 508-839-3220. We look forward to seeing you!

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